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5R, MADAGASCAR. Ben, 5R8DS, is still active, and he is now camped out in an empty house prior to departure to The Netherlands on November 1st. His activity still continues to be chirping away in the AMTOR mode and CW/SSB. This past weekend he was heard on 14015 kHz around 1910z, on 24901 kHz around 1319z and on 18140 kHz around 1408z. QSL via PA3BXC (his home call): Ben Witvliet, Sleedoorn 65, Emmen - 7822an, The Netherlands. All QSLs will be answered (if direct with a SASE or via the buearu).

8Q7CW DXPEDITION WRAP UP! OPDX received a fax from Rudi, DK7PE, on the details of his recent 8Q7CW activities from the Maldives between September 25th to October 2nd. Rudi states he concentrated mainly on the low bands (160-30 meters) and made a total of 2400 contacts. Despite the heavy QRN, which is usual in the tropics, low bands conditions were good and he made about forty 160 meters contacts into North America. Signals on 160 meters were covered by noise and sometimes it wasn't easy for Rudi to pick out callsigns. Rudi states this was due to the lack of a proper receiving antenna and there was a problem in erecting a better one. For only one night, he was able to use a 150 feet beverage antenna, but unfortunately, not for the whole operation. He also tried a RX-Loop antenna, but the results of this design didn't impress him. Rudi mentions that his 8Q7CW callsign was issued at least one time before, so all QSL for this operation only go to DK7PE.

9R, REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE. Alex, 9Q2L (PA3DZN)), will be operating as 9R1A during the CQWW SSB Conetst (October 28-29th) as a Single Op/Single Band entry (The band was not mentioned). QSL via PA3DMH.

9U, BURUNDI. F5FHI, EA1FH will be very active during the CQWW DX SSB and CW Contests on all bands (including 160m). Details of callsigns were not mentioned.

HK0, SAN ANDRES. KH8AL, NL7GP, JI3ERV and JH1NBN will be active October 27-29th and will sign KH8AL/HK0 during CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via JH1NBN.

NEW QSL ADDRESS. Please note the new address for QSLs for the following operations: ZD8VJ ZD7VJ 3D2VJ T20VJ A35VJ 5W1VJ ZK2VJ KH8/G4ZVJ AH8F HS0/G4ZVJ DU3/AH8F ZD80V ZD88V GB5VJ. QSL to Andy Chadwick, G4ZVJ, 5 Thorpe Chase, Littlethorpe Road, Ripon, North Yorkshire, HG4 1UA, U.K.

OT5, BENGIUM (CONTEST STATIONS). Luc, ON4AKL, states that the NOL contest team, member of UBA, will be active during the 1995 CQWW DX SSB CONTEST, from the new contest QTH with the special callsign "OT5L". They will be a Multi/Single entry and will be active on 160-10 meters using beam antennas from 40 through 10 meters, a 4 element vertical array for 80, and a 90 ft. vertical for 160 meters with special receiving antennas for the lower bands. QSL is to ON6NL via bureau or CBA.

John, ON4UN, reports that OT5T will be operating as a Multi/Single in the CQWW DX SSB Contest with operators ON4AFZ, ON6UK, ON7LX and ON4AAM. Activity will be on all bands.

S9, PRINCIPE ISLAND. F5OGL, F6AXX, F6BQY, F5HX, F6HHV will be active as S92P from (IOTA AF-044) from November 21 to December 6. Their activity will be on all bands (include WARC) on CW, SSB and RTTY. They will also be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL via F6KEQ.

SV9, CRETE. Jukka, OH1JJS (aka OH6LI), will be on a vacation trip to SV9-land during October 22nd to 29th. His activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters (maybe 6m) including WARC, operating CW & SSB if the Hotel owner allows him to install his antennas. No RTTY is planned this time. Jukka will bring full size antennas for 80 and 160 meter bands.

TK, CORSICA. Members of the TK-Contest-gang and the Bavararian Contest Club will enter as a Multi/Single effort from Corsica during the CQWW SSB/CW Contests in October and November 1995. Callsign for both contests will be TK2C. The QSL-Manager for both operations will be DF7RX - Bernhard Steibl, Kelheimwinzerstr. 40, D-93309 Kelheim, F.R.G. All cards will be answered direct and via bureau. Operators for the CQWW DX SSB Contest are: TK5EP, TK5NN, TK5MH, DK2OY, DK6WL, DF7RX and DF4RD. Operators for the CQWW DX CW Contest are: TK5EP, TK5NN, DL2NBU, DL6RAI and others

The SSB-Team will arrive in Ajaccia, Corsica, the 25th of October and spend the days before the contest installing all antennas and equipment. There should be some activity before and after the contest. Detailed information about the CW-Team following later.

TY & 9G, BENIN and GHANA (Contest Expedition). The contest team of G3SXW, GM3YTS, K5VT, KC7V and N7BG will enter as a Multi/Multi effort from Benin for the CQWW CW contest in November. They plan on using the callsign TY5A.

The team will arrive in Accra, Ghana, and spend a few days of low key operating, all CW, focusing mainly on the low bands. This operation will take place around November 18th to 20th. The operators and their 9G callsigns are as follows: G3SXW/9G5SX, GM3YTS/9G5RF, K5VT/9G5VT, KC7V/9G5MF and N7BG/9G5AR. QSL each operator to his home call.

The personal calls for each operator and their TY callsigns are as follows: G3SXW/TY5SXW, GM3YTS/TY5RF, K5VT/TY5VT, KC7V/TY5MF and N7BG/TY5AR. QSL each operator to his home call. Personal TY calls will be used for a day or two before and after the contest. The QSL manager for TY5A is: GM4AGL - Bill Ferguson, 72 High Park Sail, Erskine, Renfrewshire, Scotland PA8 7HX. There will be a Web page for the operation. They plan on keeping in touch by E-mail for comments. For more information on the TY5A operation, you can visit the Benin DXpedition home page:

<http://www.getnet.com/~kf7ay/cqwwty.html>.

V2 & VP2M, ANTIGUA AND MONTserrat. JH1NBN will be at these locations on a family vacation November 23-27th. His callsigns are unknown at this time, but he will operate almostly SSB with some CW. Check mainly on 14200 kHz. QSL via JH1NBN.

V6, MICRONESIA. Tak, JE1SCJ, and Kuzu, JA0VSH will be active as V63YT and V63KZ, respectively, from Pohnpei during October 20-25th. The operations will be CW and SSB with activity on 160-6 meters including WARC bands. Kuzu mentions that during their evening hours they will not be able to operate SSB because of the hotel's circumstance. The suggested frequencies for 160 meters is 1824.5 kHz for USA/JA or 1827 kHz for EU. QSL via each homecalls direct or bureau.

VK9/CH & YB0, CHRISTMAS ISLAND AND INDONESIA. Ron, ND3A, will be departing on a business trip to Jakarta on October 16th. He will be in Jakarta for approximately 3-4 weeks and then plans on taking a one week vacation on Christmas Island. From Jakarta, he will attempt to operate as YB0ASI (at AA4U's station) during CQWW SSB (But he is not sure if he will or for how long). QSL his YB0ASI operation to WA4FVT or via the QSL bureau. From Christmas Island, Rob states he has the license in hand and will be using the callsign VK9XRS. He will attempt to operate 160-10 meters and will mainly concentrate on CW. If the timing works out, he may even be active during CQWW CW Contest (But doesn't know for sure at this point). QSL for this operation via ND3A.

VK0, HEARD ISLAND (UPDATE). Ralph Fedor, K0IR, reports the 1995 Heard Island DXpedition remains on schedule. 3Y0PI team members ON6TT, KK6EK, HB9AHL, and K0IR will be joined by JH4RHF, N6EK, PA3DUU, and RA3AUU. The advance team of PA3DUU and ON6TT will arrive in Perth, Western Australia, on October 22nd. The rest of the team will arrive one week later.

A sea container holding most of the expedition's equipment arrived in Australia on October 12th. Shipments from Canada and Easter Island arrived earlier. A final shipment from Belgium will arrive in Perth in a few days. All cargo will go aboard the expedition's ship for a November 1st sailing date.

The innovations tested on Easter Island (XR0Y) will be used by the Heard Island expedition team. A beacon (VK6DIR/MM) will be activated as the ship weighs anchor and will remain on the air until we are active from Heard Island. They will maintain a home page on the World Wide Web, operate a call sign look up service to allow you to see "if you are in the log," and distribute e-QSL's. Details on accessing and using these services will follow.

They expect to arrive at Heard Island on about November 12th. The sea and weather will dictate how soon they get on the air. They expect to be active until their December 1st departure, using CW, SSB, RTTY, and satellite communication. QSL's are via W4FRU. ADDED NOTE: The above text was an edited excerpt of K0IR press release. The complete press release will be distributed via the OPDX Mailing List.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators Jack/K1KNQ, Rich/KJ4WC and Steven/K7LXC will be operating from Grand Cayman as ZF2DX during the CQWW Phone Contest as a two station Multi/Multi entry. They will be operating from ZF1EJ QTH. QSL via K1KNQ.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (UPDATE). Jon, WB8YJF, using the callsign ZL7CW and Leo, K8PYD, using the callsign ZL7PYD will be active in the CQWW CW Contest. Their tentative plans are to leave Columbus, Ohio, on November 19th and arrive at Chatham Islands on November 21st (4 PM local time). This will allow for operations over the USA Thanksgiving Day holiday in preparation for the contest. Operations will be on CW, SSB and RTTY with activity on all bands 160-10 meters including the WARC bands. Jon will leave on November 28th to return home, while Leo will stay on for the 160 Meter Contest the following weekend. Leo will leave on December 8th. All QSLs should be sent via the home callsigns. They report that licenses are currently in hand and accommodations are confirmed. Their plane tickets will be issued shortly.

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